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Prescott, Arizona, Oct. 1st, 1866.

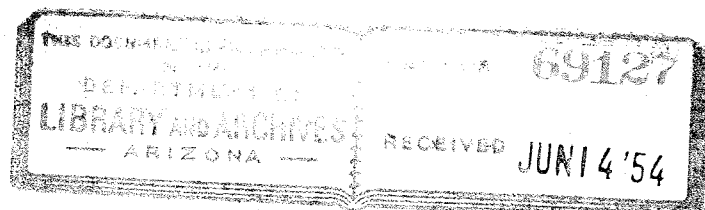
To His Excellency Richard C. McCormick, Governor of Arizona :

Sir: Pursuant to the requirements of the laws of the Territory of Arizona, I hereby submit to your Excellency the following report:

The Territory, as your Excellency is aware, is entirely destitute of arms or war equipment whatever, and also without any Territorial militia organization, consequently the only subjects to which I can direct your attention to is the absolute necessity that some action should be taken, by the proper authority, to supply the Territory with the necessary arms for self defense, and also to put in the field at least two companies of Rangers, to guard our public roads and to give protection to our miners and farmers against our common foe, the Apache. In my opinion little service can be expected from the military force now in the Territory, as there is a barely sufficient number of men to guard the different military posts, and if there were more, it could not be expected that they could do as good a service as our native troops, or as men acquainted and accustomed to the mountains and deserts. The attention of our honorable Legislature should be especially directed to the wants of the Territory in this respect, and immediate action taken thereon.

During the past year I have endeavored to collect and keep a correct record of the organization, mustering, and service performed by the First Regiment of Infantry, Arizona Volunteers, but have been unable to do so. I have not received the muster-in rolls in full, and

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but few of the officers have tendered me any reports. It would be a matter of future interest to the Territory if such a record could be collected and preserved.

Too much credit can not be given to the officers and privates composing the regiment, for the gallant and noble manner in which they have preformed their arduous services, and for the benefits they have rendered the Territory. The gratitude of the entire population of the Territory is due them.

As far as in my power I will give you a synopsis of the organization and service preformed by the regiment. The following is a copy of the order authorizing the regiment to be raised:

War Department,

Provost Marshal General's Office,

Washington, D. C. April 16th, 1864.

His Excellency the Governor of Arizona, Fort Whipple, A. T.:

Sir: As requested in your letter of the 20th of February, you are hereby authorized to raise within the Territory of Arizona one regiment of volunteer infantry, to serve for three years or during the war.

The recruitment, organization, and muster of the regiment must conform to that prescribed by existing regulations. The chief mustering officer of the Department of the Pacific will exercise a general superintendence over the recruitment, and to him application should be made for any additional information that may be desired. All supplies will be furnished under existing regulations. Copies of the necessary regulations will be furnished you by the Adjutant General of the Army.

Signed, James B. Fry,  
Provost Marshal General,

Wm. D. L. R.

A copy of the foregoing letter was sent to Gen. J. H. Carleton, commanding department. Oct. 14th, 1864, General Carleton replied that Arizona was in the Department of New Mexico, and that the chief mustering officer of that department would superintend the recruitment of the regiment. Upon the transfer of Arizona to the Department of California, and while Governor Goodwin was in San Francisco, he submitted the letter of the Provost Marshal General to Major-General McDowell, who desired the regiment to be raised. While Governor Goodwin was in California, an order was issued by the Secretary of War, suspending all further recruiting. The Governor addressed a telegram (upon the receipt of the information) to the Secretary of War, inquiring if the order extended to Arizona. May 20th, 1865 at Fort Yuma, when returning to Arizona, the Governor received a telegram from the Secretary of War, informing him that the order did not extend to Arizona. The Governor immediately addressed a letter to Captain H. B. Flemming, chief mustering officer of the Department of the Pacific, inclosing a copy of the reply of the Secretary of War, and requesting him to send a mustering officer to the Territory at once. The letter was dated Fort Yuma, May 21st, 1865.

May 31st, 1865, on arrival of Governor Goodwin at Maricopa Wells a letter was addressed to Mr. Robert Pastal, Prescott, A. T., authorizing him to recruit a company of infantry for the First Regiment Arizona Volunteers, in the counties of Yavapai, Mohave and Yuma, within ninety days from date; said Pastal to be 2nd. Lieutenant, subject to the condition of raising the company. The company to be known as Company A.

Authority to the same effect was given at the same time to Thos. Ewing, of Pima Villages, to raise a company of Maricopa Indians; the company to be known as Company B. Also authority to the same effect was given to J. D. Walker, of same place to raise a company of Pima Indians; the company to be known as Company C. A letter with similar instructions dated, Tubac, June 13th, 1865, was given to James Lee of Tucson, with authority to raise a company within the county of Pima; said company to be known as Company D. Authority was also given to Hiram S. Washburn, of Patagonia Mine, to recruit a company E, and in connection I will have to state that Mr. Washburn was afterwards authorized to recruit companies F and D, Mr. James Lee having declined the recruiting of Company D.

Wickenburg, A. T. July 29th, 1865, Mr. Cervantes was given authority to recruit Company A, Mr. Robert Pastal, having declined the recruiting of said company.

Thus far I have given your Excellency, in Brief, the authority granted to raise the regiment, with the instructions to recruit the several companies. The companies when mustered, show as follows, as taken from the muster-in rolls, on file in my office:

Names of Officers.				
Letter of Company	Rank of Officers	Date of Commission.	No. of Rank and File.	
A	Prim. Cervantes.	"2d Lieut.	No muster in roll received, no record of commissioned granted.	35 men.
B.	Juan Chiverah. Thos. Ewing. Charles Reidt.	Captain. 1st Lieut. 2n Lieut.	Aug. 17, 1865. Aug. 17, 1865. Aug. 17, 1865.	96 men.
C.	J. Ross Browne. J. D. Walker. W. A. Hancock.	Captain. 1st Lieut. 2d Lieut.	Aug. 17, 1865. Aug. 17, 1865. Aug. 17, 1865.	92 men.
E.	H. S. Washburn. J. M. Van Meir. Man. Gallagoes.	Captain. 1st Lieut. 2n Lieut.	Aug. 5, 1865. Oct. 4, 1865. Aug. 15, 1865.	97 men.
F.	Oscar Hutton.	2n Lieut.	No muster-in roll received, no record of commission granted.	30 men.
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Company A was mustered at Fort Whipple, A. T. Oct. 7th, 1865.  
 Company B was mustered at Maricopa Wells, A. T. Sept. 2, 1865.  
 Company C was mustered at Maricopa Wells, A. T. Sept. 2, 1865.  
 Company E was mustered at Calabassas, A. T. Nov. 2d, 1865.  
 Company F was mustered at Calabassas, A. T. Nov. 3d, 1865.

Companies A, E and F are composed entirely of natives of Arizona or Mexicans; Company B is composed entirely of Maricopa Indians; and Company C of Pima Indians. The officers of the several companies are Americans, with the exceptions of Lieuts. Gallegoes, and Cervantes, who are natives of Mexico.

In informing your Excellency of the services preformed by the Volunteers, I will only allude to them in a general way. To particularize any service preformed by any particular company, would be doing injustice to others. Company F has been stationed at Skull Valley the greater portion of their term of service, and has done efficient in escorting and scouting for Indians, under command of Lieut. Oscar Hutton. Companies B and C have been stationed at Fort Mc Dowell, under command of Lieut. Ewing and Captain Walker. The duty preformed by the companies has been scouting for Indians, and from all I can learn, they have done the country good service in killing and capturing a large numbers of Apaches. Companies A and E, stationed at Camp Lincoln, have done valuable service in spite of the obstacles they have had to contend with. Since the 15th

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off February last they have killed and taken prisoners about 100 of the Apaches, and for at least one half of that time they have been compelled to remain inactive for the want of necessary food and clothing. From all the information that I can gather, it has been the same conditions with all the volunteer troops thru out the Territory. Taking into consideration the fact that the troops were composed of men coming from a hot climate, and arriving in this portion of the Territory in the middle of an unusually severe winter, with the country covered heavily with snow, barefoot, half clad, and upon half rations, it is a great wonder that the officers and privates bore their hardships as patiently and manfully as they did. But the term of the service of the volunteers has expired, and most of them have been mustered out. Who is to blame for the privations they have endured, I cannot say. As it is, it will be the duty of the representatives of the people to see that our volunteers in the future, if we should be so fortunate to have any, do not endure similar privations. At the time of the enlistment, a bounty of \$100. was promised them, and they were enlisted under these conditions. This bounty has never been paid them, altho they are honestly entitled to it. I would suggest that the attention of the honorable legislature be directed to the matter, and they make suitable representations to the proper authorities, that the bounty may be paid to the volunteers, as is their due.

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The following shows the commissions given during the past year; Mar. 6, 1866, John H. Coster, Capt., Co. C., with rank with from April 1st 1866- vice J. Ross Browne, resigned. June 1st 1866, Wm. H. Ford, 1st Lt., Co., A., with rank from May 15th 1866 - vice Primitivo Cervantes resigned. July 4th 1866, J.D. Walker, Capt., Co. C., with rank from June 20th. 1866, - vice John H. Coster, resigned. July 4th 1866, W. A. Hancock, 1st Lt. Co. C., with rank from June 20th. 1866,- vice J. D. Walker, promoted. July 24th 1866, Antonio Azul, 2nd. Lt. Co. C., with rank from June 20th 1866 - vice W. A. Hancock Promoted. Aug. 6th 1866, Manuel Gallegoes, 1st Lt. Co. E., with rank from June 27th 1866.- vice John M. Ver Mher resigned. Aug. 6th 1866, Jose Chacon, 2nd. Lt. Co., E., with rank from June 27th 1866.- vice Manuel Gallegoes promoted.

How many of the above officers have been mustered into the service, I have no official means of knowing, as no muster in rolls of same have been received at my office.

Enclosed with this report, you will find a letter and map from Capt. H. S. Washburn, showing the Rio Verde Valley, and portions of the Adjacent mountains, over which the Volunteers station at Camp Lincoln have scouted during the past season. My thanks are due Capt. Washburn, and the others officers of the regiment, for the courteous and gentlemanly maner with which I have been treated by them since my connection with them. Hoping that the above repert will meet with the approval of your Excellency, I remain, Very respectfully,

Your Obedient ~~Servant~~

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